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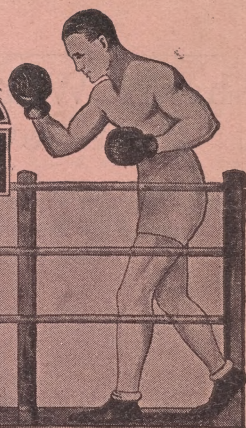
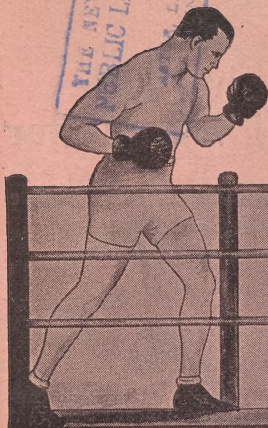
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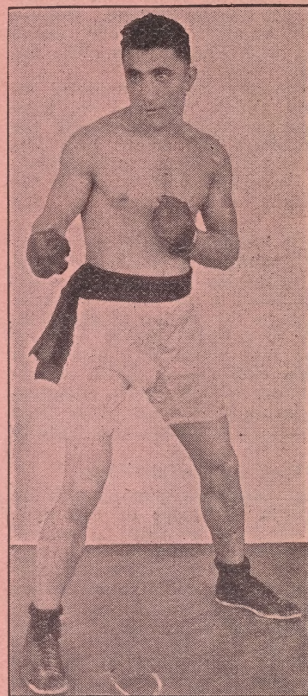
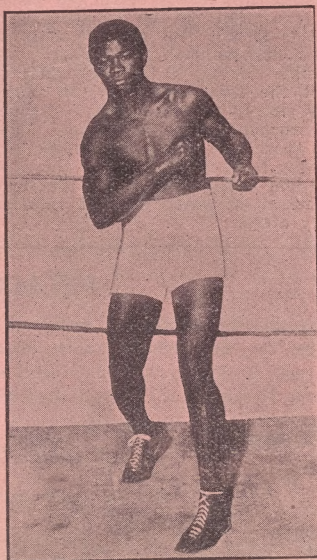
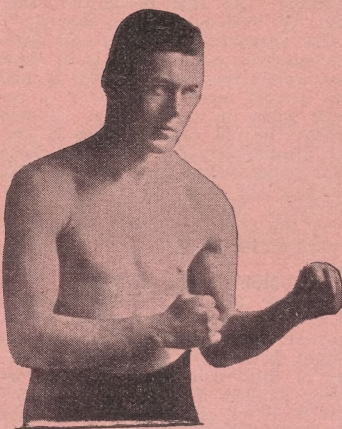
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Flashy Chicago Bantamweight

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Classy Detroit Lightweight

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BATTLING SIKI

Who Has Been Restored to Good Standing by French Boxing Federation and May Meet Carpentier Again.

Sheriff Who Stopped World's Lightweight Title Bout Seven Times 30 Years Ago Still Wears Star

Charlie Stumph Visits Otto Floto Who Sat at Ringside at Memorable Battle Between Jack McAuliffe and Billy Meyers—Officer Collected \$100 from Referee Each Time He Stopped Bout—Lost It All to Experts in Game of "Irish Billiards"—Writer Recalls Days When "Mobs" Followed the Big Ring Battles

BY OTTO FLOTO

(Sports Editor, Denver Post)

A QUAIN old character dropped in on us the other day. The face was familiar but as it afterward proved we hadn't had a peek at the map for thirty years and consequently could not immediately recall when and where we had encountered that gaze. A few moments' conversation, however, brushed the cobwebs from the think tank and before us sat Charlie Stumph. Quite a common moniker, but our initial meeting with Charlie was quite uncommon.

Episode after episode unreeled before my mind's film and we were again seated at the ringside in the little upstairs hall where Jack McAuliffe and Billy Myers were battling over a long-distance of rounds for the lightweight championship of the world.

Charlie Stumph was the town marshal of Podunk, Ind., at the time and to our dying day we'll ever have the scene pictured in our mind of Charlie standing in the center of the ring, with a thread-bare brown overcoat keeping him warm and above his head his club raised, which resembled an ear of Iowa corn, shouting, "Gosh darnit, in the name of the state of Indiana, I command this fight to stop."

Took An Awful Chance

Truly, Charlie was playing with fire that night, for some of that mob would not have hesitated a moment to grab Charlie and toss him gently out of the window. But sober judgment prevailed and Mike McDonald, who refereed the fight, soon convinced Charlie the whole affair was nothing more nor less than a boxing match and that he (Charlie) had been misinformed if told there was to be a fight. At the same time McDonald pressed a \$100 bill in his hand saying, "I just had a team of horses stolen and I guess the thieves are about twenty miles down the road and I want you to catch them, and there is your reward." Off went the high sheriff seeking the horse thieves.

And the other morning in our Denver office Charlie Stumph dropped in on his way from California. Thirty years older but still an officer of the law in some rural spot in the Hoosier state.

Collected Seven Times

Of course, our conversation drifted back to the day of that battle and how he collected \$100 bills. (He went

back seven times and stopped the fight.) Jere Daly and Bill Shakle played a little game called "Irish Billiards," which consisted of three shells and an elusive little ball. As Charlie failed to select the shell under which the little ball was concealed, he naturally lost the money he collected. He said to us the other day, "Oh well, easy come, easy go."

Our reason for relating this little conversation and incident is to show how small the world really is and how people meet years later in remote parts of the country. It also proves the old adage, "Once a copper, always a copper," for in all these intervening years we find him still carrying the club and star, the only difference being Charlie seems to carry the star on his coat instead of pinned on his heart as is so often the case.

Mob Always on Hand

Meeting Charlie Stumph reminds us of a story recently written by Jim Corbett in which the former heavyweight dwells at length on the activities of the "mob" at the John Morrissey-Yankee Sullivan bout. Corbett need not go back that far, for the "mobs" have been at all the big championship bouts, with the possible exception of the Dempsey-Carpentier fight. The arrangements at this bout were such it was simply impossible for them to work and, as most the folks lived in New York, they simply took the ferry or tubes and rushed to the arena and back. Yet those who attempted to take the subway back will remember the push and jam in the stations and the complaint about valuables lost immediately after.

Those who journeyed to Reno cannot but help remember with what freedom and abandon the "mob" worked during the week previous to the Jeffries-Johnson bout. Things were pretty sweet for the gang, and as one of them remarked, "This is proving the biggest thing since the time Bryant first ran for president in 1896, and there'll never be such a soft season as that again." So you see, we do not have to hark back of the days of Morrissey or Yankee Sullivan to make mention of these things. If but one-half of the stories the oldtimers still relate of the occurrences at the John L. Sullivan and Paddy Ryan battle at Mississippi City are true, then, surely, many of the light-fingered gentry made more than expenses on that trip.

Times Have Changed

Times and things have changed since, or rather in late years. Legalizing boxing in many of the states has made it possible to hold bouts in well heated and ventilated auditoriums. An indoor battle never offers the opportunities to the class who believes the world owes them a living without working for it as do the big out door battles in some small town or village removed some distance from a metropolis. One may now attend boxing bouts in almost perfect safety when staged under the directions of a commission in big halls in the large cities. And with it all, there isn't the thrill and the excitement which one experienced when he was driven from pillar to post by the police and where men finally took the law into their own hands and erected the ring and fought.

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Tom Andrews' Timely Ring Gossip

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Eastern boxers who imagine they can spend the winter months in Sunny California and pick up some



Tom S. Andrews

easy money at the same time are liable to be badly fooled. The four-round game is booming, but there are more boxers than the promoters can accommodate, with the result that many of them are going hungry for want of matches to replenish their bank accounts.

Boxers who are thinking of visiting the sunny country had better have signed contracts ahead of time, or forget about being kept busy around Los Angeles. It is very much the same in Oakland, where the 'Frisco boys have first call.

Joe Benjamin has had everything his own way during the present winter. He is a card at Jack Doyle's club, and can work every week if he desires, drawing down anywhere from \$750 to \$1,000 each start. He does not make weight, but scales around the 138-139 mark, which makes it easy for Joseph. His boxing has improved and Joe thinks he will be ready before long for some big matches. He expects to leave for the East sometime in March or April and will then get down to business and go after the best lightweights.

Mel Coogan, the Brooklyn lightweight, arrived in San Francisco the other day from Australia, where he went for five battles, but had only two. Mel claims he did not get the treatment promised, and for that reason returned home. He is after matches here now with Benjamin and Jack Josephs of Minneapolis, also Tommy O'Brien, but the latter expects to return East and fight Pinky Mitchell in Milwaukee before long. Tommy was offered a match here with Benjamin, but Joe would make no weight and the match fell through. Danny Kramer, the little Jewish featherweight, has returned to Philadelphia, having beaten all the 122-pounders on the coast.

Frankie Monroe, a feather, is planning to go East with "Tiny" Herman, the heavyweight, under charge of Frank Russell. The latter is a heavyweight and claims to have beaten "Farmer" Lodge of Minneapolis, and now wants to tackle Floyd Johnson.

At Doyle's arena the other evening Tillie Herman made a great showing against Sailor Larry, a colored boy of considerable class. Herman came near putting over a K. O., but the colored lad was tough and also game, lasting out four rounds. At the ringside were numerous notable men in sports and amusements, among them Doug Fairbanks, Harold Lloyd,

Alex Sloan, auto promoter; Dick Ferris, race track promoter; Frank Chance, new manager of the Boston Club; Billy Papke, former middleweight champion; Jim Jeffries, ex-heavyweight champion; Ad Wolgast, one time lightweight champion; Johnny Buff, ex-flyweight and bantam champ; Harry Neilly, Chicago critic; Bob Edgren, boxing critic; Tony Bechtel, Boston Braves star; Bob Muesel, big league star; Jim Coffroth, promoter and a host of other celebrities.

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Tommy O'Brien, former coast lightweight, but now of Milwaukee, threw down the gauntlet to the bunch of 135-pounders here, but none of them appeared anxious for Tommy's game. Joe Benjamin wanted to meet Tommy, but at catchweights, which the latter refused. O'Brien will go East again and endeavor to get a match with Champion Benny Leonard, also Pinky Mitchell and Charley White.

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Billy (Red) Cole, St. Louis lightweight, has arrived in Los Angeles and will make his appearance next week at Doyle's Arena. Cole is not a novice at the game, but is only 23 years old. He has boxed considerable, having started early in Canada.

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Johnny Buff, for champion flyweight, bumped into a tartar at Fresno, Calif., the other night. He met a lad named Teddy Silva, who was considered soft picking, but Teddy proved otherwise. He gave Johnny an awful surprise and sent him to the mat twice in the first round. It was called a draw and Johnny was lucky to get it.

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Otto Wallace, Milwaukee lightweight, has been here for some time but is not boxing now owing to trouble to his eyes. Otto was threatened with the loss of an eye for a time, but last reports state that he is getting on O. K. now.

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Jack Josephs, Minneapolis welterweight, has been making the 140-pounders around here sit up and take notice. Jack likes the four-round game and the fans like his style. He has made a big hit by his tearing in style of milling. He came near coping Joe Benjamin last week, but the wily Joseph managed to pull through safe and got the verdict.

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Few boxers have had a more varied career than Tommy O'Brien, the Los Angeles lightweight; in fact Tommy's escapades read very much like the wandering Jew.

Tommy was not 16 years of age when he got the "wandering bug" and ran away from his home in Los Angeles to New Orleans. Before starting, Tommy engaged in a four-round boxing bout at Venice, Calif., and won. That gave him courage, but on arrival in New Orleans he did

not seek any fights, but instead shipped on one of the banana boats for South America, landing at Rio Janerio. He made a second trip and then decided to change his route, so he joined another boat in Rio and sailed to San Francisco as cabin boy. That was in 1915. Arriving in Frisco, Tommy took a look at some of Uncle Sam's Jackies and made up his mind to be one of them. Accordingly he joined the Navy and made the Asiatic draft. He was sent to China and the Philippines, but becoming homesick he bought his release from the Navy and returned to his home in Los Angeles.

It was not long before "Sir Tommy" began to get the "Wanderlust" again, and once more he headed for New Orleans where he joined the Navy once more and a bit later again bought his release from that part of Uncle Sam's fighting forces. He soon went broke and turned to the boats again for relief. He joined a British barge bound for Vladivostok in Siberia. They took over a cargo of wheat for the war forces there, but Tommy was glad to get away from the frozen country on a mule boat, as he had to live on hard tack and beans. He finally landed home in 1916 and to keep up the excitement he took part in a couple of matches. He wandered about for awhile and again landed home for New Year's dinner in 1917. Then Uncle Sam got into the mixup and Tommy saw a chance for more excitement. He joined the U. S. Regular Army, getting into the Artillery Force, but was soon transferred to the Infantry and went over to France the same year. He served through the war, being wounded five times and was in the hospital four times, once from shell shock. While over there he took part in many boxing matches and won the lightweight tournament in Naples and Rome in Italy. He was discharged in 1919 and once more returned home. It did not last long for Tommy got busy in 1920 and sailed for Australia on his own hook, taking Ernie Goozeman of Los Angeles with him. Both lads were successful and returned to the States in 1921. Tommy won three fights while in the Antipodes and lost two, although he claims he should never have been disqualified in the 17th round of his fight with Sid Godfrey. The other bout was with Harry Stone, who had ten pounds advantage in weight.

O'Brien's debut in the middleweight during 1922 was very successful, beating such boys as Tony Dennis, Joe Jawson, Johnny Mendelsohn, Johnny Shaner, and getting a draw with Pinky Mitchell.

After a rest at his home in California Tommy intends to return to Milwaukee and later plans a trip to England for the purpose of meeting the British Champion, Seeman Hall. He is just 25 years old and thinks he will yet battle Champion Benny Leonard for the title.

Charley White Blows Chance for Another Crack at Champion Leonard by Losing to Rocky Kansas

Buffalo Italian Wins Decision After Buffeting Chicago Challenger for Lightweight Crown Around Ring for 15 Rounds—White Fights Waiting Battle Trying to Get His Deadly Left Hook Over but Fails to Find the Button—Capacity Crowd at Garden—Eastern Boxing News

BY CLARENCE S. GILLESPIE

NEW YORK CITY—Charley White failed again. Just when it looked like he was to get another crack at the title he blew a decision to Rocky, Kansas. Before one of the largest crowds of the season



Clarence S. Gillespie

at Madison Square Garden, February 9, the Buffalo Italian buffeted Charley around the ring and gave the Chicagoan about the niftiest trimming seen in the big auditorium in many a day. Charley showed up at weighing in time three quarters of a pound over the required weight of 135 pounds. Rocky weighed 133, and the forfeit of \$2,-

500 was claimed by Dan Rogers, manager of Kansas.

Kansas beat White to the punch in every round and Charley just waited. One got the impression that Charley had in mind that it was one of those old time finish bouts and that he was waiting for the other fellow to drop from exhaustion in about the seventy-fifth round. One round was like the other with Kansas nosing Charley out all the time.

Pete Latzo, subbing for Paul Doyle was an easy winner over Johnny Nichols in the semi-final. Tommy McAleer, after being floored three times, won over Irish Fagen in the third round when the referee called a halt.

The gross receipts were \$49,805 and the attendance 13,000. The net receipts were \$43,014.10. Each fighter received 25 per cent of this sum, which gave each man \$10,753.52. The tickets sold for the fight, including the government tax, were as follows:

2,000 at \$1.....	\$2,000.00
2,000 at 2.....	4,000.00
2,984 at 3.....	8,952.00
2,547 at 5.....	12,735.00
2,513 at 7.....	17,591.00

\$45,278.00

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of 10 per cent added.. 4,527.80

Total 59,805.80

The Tom Gibbons-Floyd Johnson match is off for March 19, and in place of it Tom will meet Jack McAuliffe of Detroit.

Jess Willard will box in New York after all and his opponent will be none other than Floyd Johnson, the date May 12, and the place the new Yankee Stadium. The net receipts will go to the Milk Fund. A quarter of a million gate is expected.

Bob Fitzsimmons, Jr., under the management of Billy McCarney, has been engaged as chief sparring partner for Willard and will appear in exhibitions with the big fellow on a tour arranged by Ray Archer, lasting about six weeks.

Jack Sharkey has made arrangements to go to Europe to engage in several battles. The people over there will be anxious to see the boy that first defeated their pride, Jimmy Wilde, on his first visit to this country.

Italian Joe Gans defeated Panama Joe Gans in a fast twelve-round bout at the Pioneer Sporting Club, February 5. Both boys weighed in under the middleweight limit, and the Italian, fighting the best battle of his career, carried the milling to his colored opponent throughout and won the verdict.

One of the most promising boys that has appeared in the New York rings in years, Andy Thomas' passed away after boxing Johnny Clinton at the Broadway Club, Brooklyn, February 5. Thomas collapsed at the beginning of the twelfth and last round without a blow being struck. All hands were exonerated. The youngster did not regain consciousness and died the morning after the contest.

Sammy Nable came through with a neat win over Harry Leonard at the Fairmount Club, New York, February 7. Sammy has been on the sick list for some time and it looked like a tough spot for him after a long lay off, but he came through like a champion and nosed the Philadelphian out after twelve rounds of about as clever boxing as has been seen at the local club this season.

Harry Wills continues working in the expectation of a match of some kind. Always living in hopes that the State Athletic Commission will allow a championship contest with Champion Jack Dempsey.

Jack Delaney, the Bridgeport, Conn., middleweight, has broken away from Al Jennings and is now

under the management of Pete Reilly, a New York sporting man. Jack has a win over Louis Bogash, and it may be that the boys will have it out again before a New York club.

Midget Smith is a busy battler these days, boxing at the rate of once a week and is in great form again. He meets Joe Burman at Chicago the last of the month and may meet the winner of the Johnny Curtin-Carl Tremaine bout at the Garden.

Jack Hanlon, matchmaker of the big Ice Palace at Philadelphia has decided to use no boxer over the welterweight limit in the future, due to the bad shows the heavyweights have made at his club in the past. Kid Williams and Carl Tremaine box there February 19, and he wants a Bobby Barrett-Charley White bout for the following show.

The recent Dave Shade-Eddie Shevlin bout at Boston, Mass., which was won by Shade, drew over \$20,000 which is a record gate for the Hub City. Shade received something over \$7,000 for his end.

Terry Martin won over Jack (Kid) Wolfe in a rough twelve-round bout at the Armory, Jersey City, February 5. Terry outslugged the Cleveland boy and was a winner in most of the rounds. It was one of those no-decision affairs, however, and will go down in the records as such.

Johnny Dundee will defend his featherweight title against Tommy Noble at the Garden, February 26. Noble has had his \$2,500 posted for some time and Commissioner Muldoon ruled that the English featherweight was entitled to a crack at the title.

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Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By Arthur T. Lumley

MORE rank roguery right under the very nose of the boxing commish.

The Boxing Blade for many months has exposed the outrageous ticket speculations at the Garden shows.



Arthur T. Lumley

If we had an efficient commish the disgraceful ticket evil would have been wiped out moons ago.

There's something very rotten going on in the Garden box offices.

And somebody on the inside is making thousands of dollars.

Leo P. Flynn could a tale unfold about ticket speculations that would cause a big rumpus.

For Leo certainly knows the inside and outside of the bunk game.

The speculators have some 25 stores and offices around the Garden.

Where they do a land office business for every important show.

Is the commish asleep or has it been chloroformed?

But now some of the leading New York newspapers are howling blue murder over the scandal.

No wonder that Senator Jimmy Walker wants to repeal the present boxing law which he is the father of.

But he intends to substitute a new one that will wipe out Muldoon & Co.

For the popular Senator is very sour on the present board for various reasons.

Especially for drawing the color line in the proposed Dempsey-Wills match and rank ticket speculation scandal.

The boisterous promoters certainly knocked themselves out of a shower of gold.

By overplaying and outbulling each other with million dollar offers.

These money-mad ducks are killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

Both the Dempsey-Wills and the Dempsey-Willard match is in the soup.

At least until we have a new commish installed.

At present Muldoon is the supreme matchmaker of the entire empire state.

Any bout that does not please his fancy is immediately canned.

Many months ago Muldoon compelled Dempsey and Wills to sign for a fight.

Now he loudly declares against such a white and black combat.

Can you beat that for sound logic or even common horse sense?

James Francis Sullivan, the comedian, says Muldoon is stealing his comedy.

No wonder that promoters and the game generally are up in the air.

Many of the Broadway managers are too busy playing pinochle to be bothered with fighters nowadays.

No wonder they are so mentally exhausted after these long pinochle sessions.

The flu germ may be isolated, but the frenzied financial fistic germ is still at large.

For even Muldoon says, "In their present state the managers and promoters are insane."

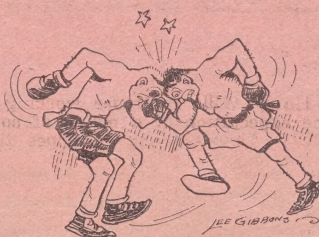
There is some truth in that old scout, but what about the mental condition of the comic commish?

The Russian government shoots all persons convicted of grafting.

If they shot all the grafters in the boxing game we might have honest sport.

And probably upright and just boxing commissions in every state.

Jimmy O'Connor and Jimmy Twyford of Brooklyn expect to be made boxing commissioners.



There's about 10,000 others with the same expectations.

How the New York fans love to be gulled by the false publicity yarns.

Broadwayers are wondering why Alec Greggains let Floyd Johnson slip away from him.

Simon Flaherty, owner of the Queensboro Club, also had a chance to manage Floyd, but refused.

Now Johnson seems to be a big money getter.

Tom Gibbons, however, still continues to be the favorite among the Broadway sharpshooters against either Johnson or Firpo.

If Tom should defeat either in a masterly manner he'll surely get a chance with Dempsey.

Few of the present day fans know the John L. Sullivan only weighed 175 pounds when he won the championship from Paddy Ryan in 1882.

Probably if Sullivan was in all his youthful fistic glory today he would also be barred from conflicting with Dempsey.

But just imagine what a terrific battle John L. and Dempsey would put up with both gladiators in their best form.

Personally, I think Sullivan would have beaten Dempsey or any other big man in his prime.

Of course, thousands of young fans who have never seen John L. in his youthful vigor won't believe this.

But for the first three years of his championship career Sullivan was the quickest and hardest hitter of them all.

It was simply wild dissipation that whipped and dethroned the gallant old fistic warrior.

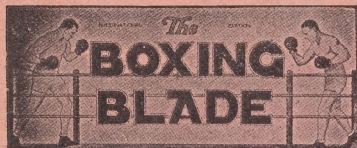
It may be 50 years before another John L. Sullivan looms up in the ring.

Such wonderful, big, fistic, phenomenal gladiators only come once in every half a century or so.

But what a lot of lies and bunk they print about Sullivan nowadays.

Punk yarns and distorted statements by various scribes who never saw John L. in his greatest battles.

Very likely after Dempsey has passed away a few years another crop of sport writers will print lies about him.



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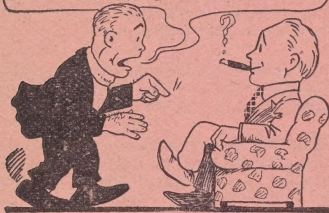
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DO YOU KNOW THAT—



TOMMY GIBBONS released Rickard from his contract with him and Floyd Johnson so Floyd could box Willard, May 12th. Tom said it was because of the Milk Fund Benefit.

Tommy is getting liberal in his old days—at a boy.

Big Jess says he is positive that the roof of his mouth will not get as sunburned after his clash with Floyd as it was after his bout with Dempsey at Toledo. In that bout Dempsey kept insisting that Willard make himself as comfortable as possible on the floor.

Jess hopes to be able to hold his feet better on the banks of

the Harlem than he held 'em on the banks of Maum ee that torrid July day, when Jack Dempsey took all the pressure off Jess's arches.

Jess and Floyd will skim off about \$50,000 in cream, but this fact will not injure either the quality or quantity of the Milk Fund's return from the bout at the Yankee Stadium on May 12th.

Farmer Lodge showed so many new fangled punches at Duluth that the Farmer was disqualified.

It is hard to take the farm out of a Farmer.

Dave Shade gave Morrie Schlaifer a nice rough lesson in the manly art of self defense at Duluth, last week.

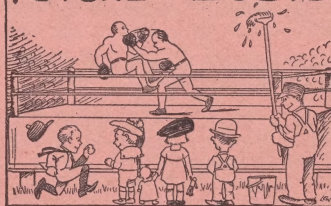
Sammy Mandell, Chicago feather, kissed the canvas for a nine-count losing the popular verdict to old man Garcia's young son Frankie at Chicago, last week.

John Torris of Chicago offered Benny Leonard \$50,000 to box Sailor Freedman at Chicago this summer.

The reason Torris offered so much was because it sounded better and did not cost any more.

Charley Harvey, manager of Billy Wells, is very sour on George Duffey, Milwaukee referee. George was umpire at Omaha when the battery was Wells pitching and Schlaifer catching. Morrie caught a perfect game. Then caught the decision.

FUTURE BOUTS



James J. Delaney vs. Gene Tunney, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 26th.

Jess Willard vs. Floyd Johnson, 15 rounds, New York City, May 12th.

Battling Siki vs. Mike McGigue, 20 rounds, Dublin, Ireland, St. Patrick's Day.

Nate Carp vs. Pancho Villa, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 26th.

Luis Firpo vs. Bill Brennan, 15 rounds, New York City, March 12th.

Tom Gibbons vs. Jack McAuliffe, 15 rounds, New York City, March 19th.

Kid Williams vs. Terry McHugh, 12 rounds, Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 26th.

Pal Moran vs. Bobby Barrett, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., March 5th.

Jay Lanahan vs. Frankie Fleming, 12 rounds, Staten Island, N. Y., Feb. 25th.

Vincent Lopez vs. Joe Libby, 12 rounds, Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 26th.

Pancho Villa vs. Kid Wolfe, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20th.

Carl Tremaine vs. Kid Williams, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20th.

Bobby Wolgast vs. Marty Collins, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20th.

Battling Leonard vs. Al Gordon, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20th.

Dan Gardin vs. Benny McCoy, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20th.

Sammy Sieger vs. Nick Foley, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 26th.

Dutch Brandt vs. Jack Sharkey, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., March 5th.

Johnny O'Donnell vs. Jack White, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 26th.

Russie Leroy vs. Eldie De Beau, 10 rounds, Fargo, N. D., March 1st.

Jack Bailey vs. Johnny Strike, 10 rounds, Fargo, N. D., March 1st.

Jackie Nichols vs. Billy Petrolle, 10 rounds, Jamestown, N. D., March 6th.

Farmer Lodge vs. Tiny Herman, 10 rounds, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 15th.

Farmer Lodge vs. Capt. Bob Roper, 10 rounds, Grand Rapids, Mich., March 9.

Ole Anderson vs. Tom Roper, 10 rounds, Grand Rapids, Mich., March 9.

Jack Clifford vs. Homer Smith, 10 rounds, Grand Rapids, Mich., March 9.

Billy Emke vs. Steve Choyanski, 10 rounds, Marinette, Wis., Feb. 21st.

Midget Smith vs. Joe Burman, 10 rounds, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 21st.

Howard Page vs. Harry Dahl, 10 rounds, Zap, N. D., Feb. 21st.

Kid Belt vs. Harry Bramer, 10 rounds, Canon City, Colo., Feb. 22nd.

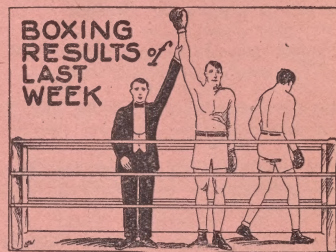
Anthony Downey vs. Mike O'Dowd, 10 rounds, Omaha, Neb., March 16th.

Joe Downey vs. Homer Smith, 10 rounds, Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 23rd.

Bat Krause vs. Glen Hackensick, 10 rounds, Ellendale, N. D., Feb. 21st.

Mark Moore vs. Soldier Koenig, 8 rounds, Fort Snelling, Minn., Feb. 16th.

Danny Kramer vs. "Red" Chapman, 10 rounds, Boston, Mass., Feb. 22nd.



EAST

Harry Greb defeated Pal Reed, twelve rounds, at Newark, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Terry Martin defeated Jack (Kid) Wolfe, twelve rounds, at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Wee Wee Willie Spencer defeated Mickey Delmont, ten rounds, at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Johnny O'Reilly defeated Elite Perry, four rounds, at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Johnny Kochansky knocked out Wallie Carney, first round, at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Floyd Johnson knocked out Mike Nestor, fourth round, at Staten Island, N. Y., Feb. 5th.

Italian Joe Gans defeated Panama Joe Gans, twelve rounds, at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Hilly Levine defeated Louis Guglielmini at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Rockey Kansas defeated Charley White, fifteen rounds, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Pete Latzo defeated Johnny Nichols, twelve rounds, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Phil Logan and Jack Lawlor boxed six rounds to a draw at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Tommy McAleer knocked out Irish Pagan, third round, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Chuck Wiggins knocked out Jim Tracey, tenth round, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Harry Gordon knocked out Danny Edwards, eleventh round, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Tony Julian defeated Johnny Dundee, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 6th.

Pete Latzo defeated Paul Doyle, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 6th.

Willie Harmon defeated Frankie Murphy, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 6th.

Henry Ford defeated Frankie Madden, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 6th.

Sammy Noble defeated Harry (Battling) Leonard, twelve rounds, at New York City, Feb. 7th.

George Doherty defeated Joe Lowden at New York City, Feb. 7th.

Sid Terris defeated Al Ketchell at New York City, Feb. 7th.

Sammy Vogel defeated Willie Dillon at New York City, Feb. 7th.

Sid Burt knocked out Lew Pissitzner, first round, at New York City, Feb. 7th.

Johnny Williams knocked out Phil Gusmano, eleventh round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Billy West defeated Soldier Lawson at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Dave Shade defeated Eddie Shevlin, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 3rd.

Widman Gould defeated Phil Bloom, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 3rd.

Lew Paluso defeated Red Chapman, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 3rd.

Pete Hartley defeated Frankie Quill, ten rounds, at Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 7th.

Johnny Sunday knocked out Nap Roy, third round, at Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 7th.

Abe Friedman defeated Mike Castle, ten rounds, at Lowell, Mass., Feb. 8th.

Lou Bogash defeated Jackie Clark, ten rounds, at Worcester, Mass., Feb. 6th.

Tony Thomas defeated Joe Clifford, ten rounds, at New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 5th.

Augie Ratner defeated Mike Dempsey, twelve rounds, at Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 5th.

Frankie Sinclair defeated Kid Rash, ten rounds, at Albany, N. Y., Feb. 6th.

Tommy Ryan defeated "Iris" Johnny Curtin, twelve rounds, at Mariessville, R. I., Feb. 7th.

Len Mahoney defeated Joe Dundee, fifteen rounds, at Baltimore, Md., Feb. 5th.

Nate Isaacman defeated Tim Droney, ten rounds, at Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 5th.

Vincent Lopez defeated Lew Schupp, eight rounds, at Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Frankie Fasano defeated Harry Gordon, twelve rounds, at Passaic, N. J., Feb. 5th.

Al Verbecken defeated Sammy Blackiston, at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 9th.

Joe McCabe defeated Tim Droney, eight rounds, at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 5th.

George Chaney knocked out Harry Koster, first round, at Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 6th.

Gene Tunney defeated Chuck Wiggins, twelve rounds, at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Cowboy Williams knocked out Cyclone Clifford, first round, at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Henry Catena won on a foul from Willie Gilligan in four rounds at New York City, Feb. 3rd.

Hubby Wagner defeated Al Triano at New York City, Feb. 3rd.

Larry Estridge defeated Alex (Kid) Gibbons, twelve rounds, at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Leroy Powell knocked out Tommy Edwards, first round, at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Willie Ryan and Joe Celmars boxed eight rounds to a draw at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Bobby Wagner knocked out Tommy Farrell, third round, at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Curley Martin and Andy Ketchell boxed to a draw at New York City, Feb. 6th.

Tarzan Larkin knocked out Soldier Battling Jones, sixth round, at New York City, Feb. 8th.

Mekey Black defeated Jimmy Foley, eight rounds, at New York City, Feb. 8th.

Frankie Cronin defeated Danny Lyons, eight rounds, at New York City, Feb. 8th.

Willie Davis defeated Frankie Fitzpatrick, ten rounds, at Yonkers, N. Y., Feb. 8th.

Young Frankie Nelson knocked out Jack Fields, fifth round, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 6th.

Charley Ryder knocked out Nick Nelson at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 5th.

Herb Brodie knocked out Willie Thompson, second round, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Vic McLaughlin defeated Jimmy O'Gatty, twelve rounds, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Johnny Gray defeated Marty Collins, twelve rounds, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 3rd.

Jack Perry defeated Al Walther, ten rounds, at Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5th.

Bill Duse defeated Freddie Hoffman, ten rounds, at Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5th.

Joe Wood and Benny Ross boxed ten rounds to a draw, at Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5th.

Johnny Mellom defeated Gene Rhodes, ten rounds, at Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5th.

Arios Fanning knocked out Teddy Fitz-

gerald, eighth round, at Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5th.

Mickey O'Dowd knocked out Willie Devore, second round, at Muncie, Ind., Feb. 7th.

Anthony Downey knocked out Dick Evans, second round, at Youngstown, Ohio, Feb. 6th.

Billy Britton defeated Harry Krohn, twelve rounds, at Zanesville, Ohio, Feb. 5th.

Red Cap Wilson knocked out Mike Kearns, third round, at New York City, Feb. 9th.

Tut Jackson and Joe Lohman boxed ten rounds to a draw at Washington Court House, Ohio, Feb. 9th.

MIDDLE WEST

Billy Emke knocked out Jimmy Nuss, sixth round, at Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 6th.

Johnny Schauer defeated Tony Lukes, ten rounds, at Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 6th.

Battling Check defeated Joe Birch, six rounds, at Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 6th.

Battling Williams knocked out Jack O'Toole, first round, at Manitowoc, Wis., Feb. 10th.

Young Grabo and Kid Chivaverotti boxed six rounds to a draw at Manitowoc, Wis., Feb. 10th.

Al Graf knocked out Young Vunk, second round, at Manitowoc, Wis., Feb. 10th.

Sailor Freedman defeated Joe Jawsom, ten rounds, at East Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5th.

Patsy Rocco defeated Jimmy Gorey, eight rounds, at East Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5th.

Jim Kitty knocked out Soldier Joe Wagner, second round, at East Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5th.

Kewpie Trembley and Henry Leonard boxed four rounds to a draw at East Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5th.

Freddie Wilder defeated Eddie Ready, six rounds, at East Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5th.

Frankie Garcia defeated Sammy Mandell, ten rounds, on the U. S. S. Commander, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 9th.

Packey Joyce and Harry Gabba boxed six rounds to a draw on the U. S. S. Commander at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 9th.

Tom Dorsey knocked out Kid Perkins, second round, on the U. S. S. Commander at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 9th.

Joe River defeated Kid Taylor, six rounds, on the U. S. S. Commander, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 9th.

Dave Shade defeated Morris Schlaifer, ten rounds, at Duluth, Minn., Feb. 9th.

Andre Anderson won on a foul from Farmer Lodge in the fifth round at Duluth Minn., Feb. 9th.

Howard Mayberry defeated Jimmy Valentine, six rounds, at Duluth, Minn., Feb. 9th.

Freddie Camden defeated Young Rande, six rounds, at Duluth, Minn., Feb. 9th.

Young Lamont defeated Young Nevers, four rounds, at Duluth, Minn., Feb. 9th.

Kid French defeated Young Goldie, ten rounds, at Central City, Neb., Feb. 3rd.

Sid Soklyn won on a foul from Frankie Wood in the fourth round, at Central City, Neb., Feb. 3rd.

Billy Stearns defeated Frankie Kennard, ten rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6th.

Eddie Shea defeated Joey Franks, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6th.

Mickey Perkins defeated Bob Devine, ten rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 7th.

Ray Miller defeated Sonny Lloyd, ten rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10th.

SOUTH

Jimmy Moore defeated Young Sam Langford, twelve rounds, at Lexington, Ky., Feb. 5th.

Russell Gillam defeated Kid Brown, six rounds, at Lexington, Ky., Feb. 5th.

Hugh Ross defeated Joe Paeko, twelve rounds, at Louisville, Ky., Feb. 5th.

Bobby Bridges knocked out Jack Shea, eighth round, at Louisville, Ky., Feb. 5th.

Eddie McKenna knocked out Bill Kennedy, eighth round, at New Orleans, La., Feb. 5th.

Dutch Crosier defeated Ray Maywood, ten rounds, at New Orleans, La., Feb. 5th.

Charlie Feraci defeated Frankie Demari, ten rounds, at New Orleans, La., Feb. 5th.

Adam Gomez defeated Young Secari, six rounds, at New Orleans, La., Feb. 5th.

Young Stribling defeated George Kuhn, ten rounds, at Macon, Ga., Feb. 8th.

Harry Allen and Hollis Sullivan boxed eight rounds to a draw at Macon, Ga., Feb. 8th.

Low Silver knocked out Young Pittman, fifth round, at Macon, Ga., Feb. 8th.

Red Herring defeated Frankie Adams, ten rounds, at Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 6th.

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Story by Rounds of Famous Fights

Each week the **Boxing Blade** will publish detailed rounds of some famous fights of ring history.

Eleventh and final round of bout for world's lightweight championship between Jack McAuliffe, titleholder and Billy Dacey of New York, challenger at Dover, N. J., October 10, 1888.

THE men weighed in 12 hours before the bout, McAuliffe scaling 131½ pounds and Dacey 132.

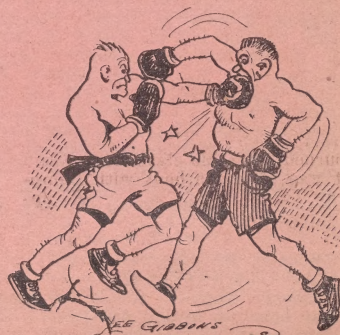
Throughout the fight Dacey tried to land a knockout blow on Jack, but the champ blocked all his leads and countered with smashes to the face.

Dacey took terrible punishment. McAuliffe was cool and calm. Jack hit Billy most any time and place he pleased. Billy was overwhelmed by the agility and cleverness of the champion, but he continued to fight on. Many times Jack hit Billy under the left arm with a force that made the receiver wince. By the tenth round Dacey was bleeding freely. His face looked as if he had been walked over by the crowd on the way out. Dacey was staying along only on his pluck and nerve.

ROUND 11

DACEY came out gamely. He tried to rally, but was weak from the punching he had taken. Jack flung both hands into the fight and in the flurry Dacey slipped down. As he rose Jack shot a terrific punch to the body and they clinched. On the break Jack nailed another one to the side. Quick as a flash Jack shot his left to Billy's face and the lad staggered.

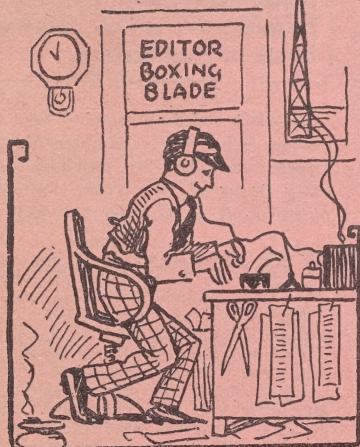
McAuliffe was right after him. A short right smash to the temple and Dacey tumbled headlong to the floor. He was not unconscious, but so dazed that it was impossible for him to rise, and he was counted out amid the cheers of the champion's followers.



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PARIS, FRANCE—Battling Siki, light heavyweight champion of the world and heavyweight champion of Europe, who has been under suspension by the French Boxing Federation since he charged that his fight with Georges Carpentier was fixed, has been forgiven by the federation. In making the announcement the Federation stated that Siki's title, which was taken from him when he was suspended, has not been restored, but that he is merely given permission to apply for a new license to box in France. The Federation voted to reinstate Siki as part of an amnesty granted all recent offenders against the boxing laws in connection with the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Federation. On the heels of Siki's reinstatement it is reported that Siki and Carpentier will fight it out again in Paris next June.

JACK HURLEY TO RESUME PROMOTING AT FARGO

Jack Hurley, manager of a string of North Dakota boxers, who has been making his headquarters in St. Paul for the past several months, has returned to Fargo where he will again promote boxing shows. Hurley is associated with Mr. Barkley in the staging of shows in Fargo. The first card will be put on March 1st with a double windup. Russie Leroy, Fargo, will box Eddie Debeau, St. Paul lightweight, in one of the 10-round bouts. Jack Bailey, Fargo middleweight, will meet Johnny Strike in the other ten-rounder. Hurley has also matched his featherweight, Jack Nichols, with Billy Petrolle for 10 rounds at Jamestown, N. D., on March 6th.

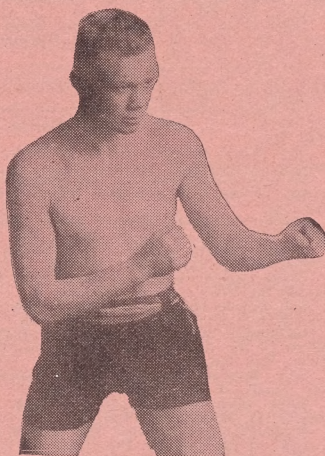
GEORGE EAGEL ON WAY TO AUSTRALIA

George Eagel is the latest American boxer to invade Australia. This classy lightweight, who fought some

of the topnotchers in this country, including Pal Moran, Willie Jackson, Rocky Kansas, Johnny Mendelsohn and others, writes from on board the Steamship Tahiti plowing through the South Seas that he will clean up in the Land of the Kangaroo and then come back for a crack at the boys who have been dodging him in the States. Charlie Cook of New York, is Eagel's American representative.

MONTANA PROMOTER SEEKS DEMPSEY-GIBBONS FIGHT

L. A. Sampson, boxing promoter at Shelby, Mont., wires the Boxing Blade that he has offered Jack Kearns \$200,000 for Jack Dempsey to meet Tom Gibbons at Shelby next July 4th.



TORNADO MIKE PAULSON
Rugged Minneapolis Welterweight

Promoter Sampson offers Gibbons \$50,000 for his end of a 15-round battle. He says he will deposit a certified check for \$10,000 as a guarantee to bind the match if the terms prove satisfactory to the boxers. Shelby is a fast growing town in the newly discovered oil belt of Montana and Sampson is confident that a heavyweight championship bout can be supported by the newly rich community and surrounding territory.

GIBBONS AND COLLINS BOXERS KEEP BUSY

Boxers under the management of Mike Gibbons and Mike Collins have signed up for ten bouts within the next two weeks.

James J. Delaney, light heavy-

weight star, is carded with Gene Tunney for ten rounds at Milwaukee on Feb. 26th. Johnny O'Donnell, St. Paul lightweight, will box Jack White on the same card. Delaney will also box in Boston on March 2nd and in Detroit, Mich., on March 10th.

Farmer Lodge, heavyweight, clashes with Tiny Herman at Omaha on Feb. 15th. Lodge will meet Capt. Bob Roper at Grand Rapids, Mich., early in March. On the same card, Ole Anderson will box Tom Roper, brother of Bob, and Jack Clifford will mix with Homer Smith. It will be an all-heavyweight show.

Tornado Mike Paulson, welterweight, meets Frankie Darren at Butte, Mont., on Feb. 14th.

Len Schwabel, lightweight, is signed with Battling Strayer at Fort Dodge, Iowa, on Feb. 16th.

Larry Coleman, welterweight, fights Kid White at Fort Snelling, Minn., Feb. 16th.

Billy Emke, middleweight, tackles Steve Choynski of Buffalo, N. Y., at Marinette, Wis., on Feb. 21st.

BOXING REOPENED AT PUEBLO, COLO.

Boxing has been reopened on a big scale in Pueblo, Colo., under the auspices of the new American Legion club there. Aubrey Kief, sports writer and "Fat" Winters, Pueblo sportsman and red hot boxing follower have joined hands in helping the Legionnaires put the game on its feet. They are seeking a bout between Farmer Lodge and some good heavyweight for their next show.

JOHNNY KLESCH GOES AFTER MIDDLE TITLE

After a sojourn in the Southwest and Middle West, Johnny Klesch, hard hitting Cleveland middleweight and his manager Jerry Sachs have gone eastward in hopes of forcing Champion Johnny Wilson and Mike O'Dowd to fight him. After Klesch knocked out Art Magirl, in ten rounds at Juarez, Mexico, all the boxers of his division in that section of the country ducked him. Following his return from that section Klesch was laid up for eight months by illness but is reported to be in good shape again.

PROMOTERS FINED FOR POOR FIGHT IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Mexico—Nero Chink, who claims the middleweight championship of Cuba, made his first appearance in Mexico against Walter Gray of San Antonio, Texas. Chink won by a kayo in the fourth round. However, Chink is badly overrated, or the promoters in Cuba stood for

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a lot of bunk fights. His opponent, Gray was a joke. Gray took a beating and then flopped. He hit Chink about twice in the four rounds. Local authorities fined the promoters \$300 on the grounds that the fight was a fizzle. Wouldbe fighters had better think it over before trying to come to Mexico City to pickup some easy money. The promoters made Gray pay the fine by taking it out of his end.

The other fights were good. Native boys gave a real show. One eight-round fight had the crowd on tiptoe shouting like mad. Two slugging featherweights stood toe-to-toe and walloped until the end. One fighter scored six knockdowns and the other eight. Blood flowed from the first round until the knockout. It was the gamest fight ever seen here. Both boys took all that the other could give and never backed away under fire. The bouts resulted as follows:

D. Miranda kayoed Jose Loredo in two rounds. C. Garvia won over A. Lopez in four rounds. R. Herrera vs A. Martinez, draw—four rounds. Hip. Rameriz knocked out W. Lopez in eight rounds. Nero Chink k. o. Walter Gray, four rounds.

Nero Chink and Kid Savage, present holder of the Mexican middleweight title are signed up for a finish fight for March 17th.

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DAVE SHADE BEATS SCHLAIFFER AT DULUTH

Ray W. Hughes, new boxing promoter at Duluth, got away to a good start in his initial show staged on February 9th, by the National A. C. of which he is president. The card of five bouts, headlined by Dave Shade and Morris Schlaiffer, drew \$7,000. Shade won the popular decision over Schlaiffer. The challenger for Mickey Walker's welterweight title scored a knockdown in the first round and held a good lead on points over the Omaha "knockout king," throughout the bout.

In the semi-windup Farmer Lodge, St. Paul heavyweight was disqualified by Referee George Barton in the fifth round of his bout with Andre Anderson of Chicago. The referee claimed Lodge used the kidney punch illegally. Lodge claimed he hurt Anderson with a right hand punch under the heart.

In other bouts, Howard Mayberry outpointed Jimmy Valentine in six rounds; Freddie Camden defeated Young Rande in six rounds; and Young Lamont won from Young Nev-ers in four rounds.

JACK DEMPSEY PLAYS GOOD SAMARITAN

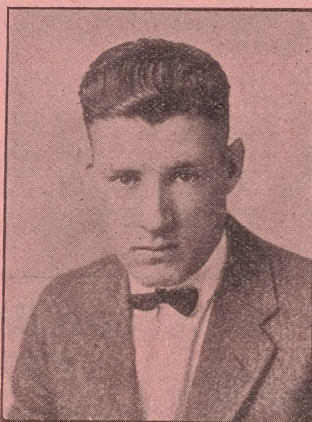
Salt Lake City, Utah.—Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, has a new training partner in the person of Terry Keller, prominent some years ago as a heavyweight boxer. While en route to Salt Lake, Dempsey met Keller. Questioning brought forth admission by Keller that he was broke and looking for a job, and Jack lost no time in taking him in tow.

Before Jack became famous he battled with Keller at Ogden and won the decision. Since that time Dempsey has gone forward and Keller backward and Jack terms his befriending Keller as merely a case of victor helping the vanquished.



JOHNNY KILBANE STARTS TRAINING FOR CRIQUI

Cleveland—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, today opened training headquarters in a downtown office building to get in condition for his bout with Eugene Criqui, in New York, probably Memorial Day.



JACK HURLEY
Boxing Promoter at Fargo, N. D.

BRITISH BOXER GIVEN MEDAL FOR COURAGE BY FRENCH BODY

The French are great for handing out medals of merit. It was the proper thing to do during the world war, but the awarding of a medal of courage to Billy Matthews, the European featherweight champion, for his plucky fight against Eugene Criqui, French champion, is the first instance recorded where a boxer was so honored.

They battled in Paris on December 2nd last, the Frenchman winning out in the seventeenth round on a technical knockout. Matthews put up a much more stubborn battle than expected; in fact he showed remarkable gameness throughout, and the French Boxing Federation was so pleased with his wonderful pluck that it awarded him the medal of courage.

It was in this contest that Criqui injured both his hands, so badly that he will not be able to meet Champion Kilbane in a world's title match in New York before early spring—it will probably be sometime in May. The Frenchman damaged his digits about the middle of the battle and the Englishman knew it, but could not take advantage of it for the simple reason that his hands, too, had been injured.

DEATH OF BOXER IN RING HELD ACCIDENT

New York—Absolution from criminal responsibility was given by District Attorney Dodd of Brooklyn to all those connected with the death of Antonio Perraiano, New York pugilist, known as "Andy Thomas," who died from a hemorrhage of the brain suffered during his bout with Johnny Clinton in Brooklyn.

District Attorney Dodd said the death was an unfortunate accident and that there were no grounds for making arrests. He ordered the investigation closed. Medical Examiner Vaughn, who performed an autopsy, previously had declared that the hemorrhage was induced by blows received during the fight.

Editorial In Chicago Tribune Tells Why Enemies of Boxing Oppose Sport.

THERE may be many different reasons why reformers and other enemies of boxing are opposed to a sport which is one of the most popular in the world, but the following article taken from the regular editorial page of the Chicago Tribune of February 12th perhaps explains one of the chief reasons for this opposition. In brief, this editorial, which is not from the sport page, opines that the opponents of boxing are such because they can't bear to see red-blooded young athletes display in boxing bouts qualities of courage, skill and strength which they do not themselves possess. Here is what the writer of the editorial thinks about it:

BOXING AND THE INFERIORITY COMPLEX

Frankie Garcia of Memphis fought Sammy Mandell of Rockford on the U. S. S. Commodore and won the decision. An agent of the Chicago Law and Order league, of which Arthur Buraage Farwell is the head, was at the ringside. Mr. Farwell had heard that there was to be boxing on the Commodore, as there had been other nights, and had wired Washington trying to stop it. Action was not obtained, and an agent was sent to the training ship to report proceedings.

No doubt he went prepared to be shocked, and was. Mandell was winning until the sixth round and had drawn blood from Garcia's nose. Then he exposed his chin and took a right hand shot which changed the trend and the result of the proceedings. The investigator said: "If this bout was a harmless boxing match, God help the poor prize fighter."

This was a professional bout and there were civilians present for their own amusement, but the navy teaches the sailors to box and the boys maul each other quite as heartily as if they were professionals, even if less skillfully. They are being trained to stand up to heavy guns, and why should they be too soft for boxing gloves? Probably an outcry against the professional fights on the Commodore can stop them by embarrassing Washington, but why should any one want to do so?

We have tried our best to reason out the emotions which influence the opponent of boxing and believe that the cause can be found in the inferiority complex. A person with the inferiority complex knows that he would be incapable or at least mighty unwilling to take the chances of pain,

humiliation, and defeat taken in the prize ring. The endurance, skill, strength, and courage are beyond his natural attributes, and his inclination is to stop something which excites suspicion of incapacity within him. That may seem far fetched reasoning to explain motives which appear to arise from a sense of law, order, humanity, and public decency, but we believe it is true.

This writer has been advocating legalized boxing for many years, but in those years has not seen a prize fight. There were years when he reported prize fights. It's a game he does not care for—much.

The thousands of people who do not like prize fighting are not forced to view a thing which offends or distresses them, but there are two reasons why they should not deny the right to other people. One is that it is a denial not required by the community good. There is just as much right to stop football. Control of boxing may be desirable, but prevention of it is wrong.

The other reason is that it is not the safest thing in the world for a nation to be controlled by the inferiority complex and to dread and stop sports which require courage, endurance, strength, and skill. Logic pushers will say that this justifies gladiatorial games, bull fights, etc., but the reasonable mind is not perplexed by that.

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Hot Shots of Boxing News from Chicago

ROCKY KANSAS winning over Charley White, caused lots of comment along the local boxing ritalo. In the Boxing Blade issue of Feb. 10, the writer called the turn of the White-Kansas fracas and his prediction came true. He said that the "135-pound mark would weaken the left hook artist, as he hasn't hit that poundage for quite a long time." In several instances White has had trouble in making the required weight and one can recall the time that Johnny Dundee won a referee's decision over him in the Garden. "Jumping Johnny" agreed to let the Windy City veteran scale 136 pounds and when the weighing time arrived he was a half a pound over weight—and that happened last year. So how could White, a 137-pounder, sap his needed strength when opposed to as rugged an opponent as Kansas. His carefree manner in his gym workouts, boasting how easy he would scale the required poundage was one thing, but the losing of the \$2,500 weight forfeit hurt even more than the losing of the decision. Dan Rogers, manager of the Buffalo Italian, only put in a claim for the forfeit, but never refused to go on with the contest. White could have gone through with that three-quarter pound weight advantage and might of had some chance for a victory, but Charley couldn't see the idea of losing \$2,500, although he was to receive around \$10,000. It was the principal of dollars and cents with White, not principle of fair dealing to Chicago sportsmen that backed an athlete that was expected to be in strong condition and uphold the name of his home city. The Chicago fans were pulling for White victory, and they deserved an appreciation of the loyalty they gave him for many years. "Gone and forgotten" is the name of Charley White in the minds of Chicago fans.

ARGUMENTS galore came up as to the ability of "slow thinking Charley." Some remarks heard were: "White was always over-rated, as even in his prime he never got over the hurdles in his many chances in championship contests." The recent Richie Mitchell affair was a lucky victory. He outpointed White up to his collapse which was caused by his own exertions of continually battling the whole distance. If the Milwaukee lad had a few minor engagements under his belt at the time, the decision would have been reversed. The knockout over Sid Marks did not mean anything as Joe Tiplitz and Pep O'Brien, the latter an unknown, have kayoed the Canadian Champ.

The local fans never enthused over White's showings around these parts, but never gave up that ever going spirit that the Windy City fans possess. He was decisively defeated in this vicinity by Pal Moran, Sailor Friedman, Ever Hammer, and was knocked out by Benny Leonard.

KANSAS has always been a dangerous man. The Buffalo mauler ruined Willie Jackson and since that contest the records show that the former Bronx idol never won another decision. The Italian cave-man won a referee's decision and scored a knockdown over Lew Tendler, and fought a close contest with Champion Leonard. Only for the twelfth round knockdown Kansas would have copped the decision over Benny in that fight.

THE MICHIGAN CITY affair, when Benny stopped (not kayoed) Kansas, Rocky was never knocked off his feet. The inside of the affair, which later was publicly stated, is that Kansas' manager, through greed for the big purse, allowed his game fighting man to enter the contest with only one good hand, and from the first session on it was only matter of how long he would last. He then went into retirement with a broken wing and six months later he started on a carefully planned comeback campaign. He then decided he was right and accepted the White battle, fooling the fight critics and proving that he can easily scale the mark. He weighed in at 133 pounds.

THE LIGHTWEIGHT title contenders' race is now led by Tendler, Freedman and Kansas. The Chicago Sailor boy stands out as the most dangerous of the trio, having stood the test with both Tendler and the Champ. Dick Curley's star battler never crossed mitts with Kansas, so a bout between these two rough performers would be worth going miles to see.

FREEDMAN'S impressive win over the tough Joe Jawson, the Milwaukee iron man, proved that the local entry can scale the lightweight limit, as he easily made 137 pounds. He will do the 135-pound mark for the Champ only. This was Freedman's first appearance around these parts in two years and he has improved considerably. This 23-year-old battler has everything before him and will still improve. He has developed a knockout punch since last seen and surprised the fans when he floored Jawson, it being the first time that he has ever hit the canvas, although he faced such tough hitters as Rocky Kansas, Pinkey Mitchell, George Chaney, Richie Mitchell and Johnny Mendelsohn.

SAMMY MANDELL outpointed Frankie Garcia for six sessions when the Spaniard shot over a punch that floored the clever Mandell. But Garcia could not finish his adversary who was tottering around the ring out on his feet. The affair was promoted by Phil Collins on the U. S. S. Commodore boat and drew over \$4,200.

BILLY STEARNS, the clever Minneapolis lightweight, displayed real class in all departments in his easy victory over Frankie Kennard in the windup at the Elks Club. Stearns is the type of battler that will cause trouble for Freedman, Hammer and Christiano. His style is liked here and in every bout he has won more followers.

EVER HAMMER clashes with Sid Barbarian in Detroit on the 26th of this month and will give a good account of himself as he has been fighting in great form of late.

JOEY SANGOR, with his brother-manager, Lou, is now in our midst and will not want for opponents. He will get a big bout with Mike Dundee which Promoter Jim Mullen is saving for the open air. Dundee starts his new campaign with Joe Dailey of Erie, Pa., on Feb. 23rd at Rock Island, Ill.

JOE BURMAN and Midget Smith will collide at a local club, Feb. 21. The lads fought recently in Detroit and put up a fast bout. Both have lots of admirers and it will give the local fans a chance to tell Joe's chances with Champion Joe Lynch.

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CHICAGO—The wrestling game has a strong hold in Chicago. Matches are put on three or four times a week, and all are drawing capacity houses.

The City Athletic Commission has taken a hand in the mat game and regulates permits for bouts staged by various promoters.

Doc Krone is turning them away at the Ashland auditorium, while Joe Coffey has the large and spacious Coliseum for his next show. The burlesque houses run mat contests every week.

The local athletic commission used their power last week when they made the new Italian sensation, George Calza, go through with his verbal agreement with Joe Coffey, when the latter arranged to put him on in his next show. Doc Krone had the Italian signed for a number of contests and made a kick, but the commission made Calza's manager, John Perrelli, go through with his

gentlemen's agreement contract.

Calza immediately signed to wrestle the big Californian, Dick Daviscourt at Coffey's Coliseum on Feb. 20, in one-half of a double wind-up. Stanislaus Zbyszko will appear in the other half with an opponent yet to be selected.

Calza really is the sensation in the mat game today being a former amateur that represented Italy in the Olympic games in 1920. He then turned professional and since his invasion in the pro ranks he hasn't lost a decision. He is the idol here and in his two appearances in Chicago he was carried out of the ring upon the shoulders of the loyal Italian rooters.

The matches at the big arenas have drawn as big as \$15,000, with the average match hitting around the \$4,000 mark.

Johnny Meyers, Larney Litchensien's Middleweight Champion of the World, is now appearing on the Coast in a series of five matches.

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FAR WEST

Harold Jones defeated Vic Young, four rounds, at Wallace, Idaho, Jan. 27th.
Arch Cooper and Battling Ivey boxed ten rounds to a draw at Ada, Okla., Feb. 8th.

PACIFIC COAST

Johnny Buff and Teddy Silva boxed four rounds to a draw at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Dick Ellia knocked out Jack Davis, third round, at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Young Corbett defeated Jimmy Brady, four rounds, at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Joe Racer defeated Eddie Mahoney, four rounds, at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Kid Koepske and Gene Cline boxed four rounds to a draw at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Mike Romano and Young Salvadore boxed four rounds to a draw at Fresno, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Johnny McFarland knocked out Ray Evans, third round, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Jack McDonald knocked out Harry Vicke, first round, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Tommy Gonzales defeated Bobby Gray, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Johnny Lawson defeated Kid Manila, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Mickey Gibbons knocked out Barney Symonson, fourth round, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Al Ney knocked out Jimmy Fales, second round, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Art Walker defeated Sailing Leonard, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Eddie Silva knocked out Kid Kansas at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 7th.
"Racheorse" Roberts defeated Ray Pelkey, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Frankie McCann and Joe Leopold boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
"Dynamite" Murphy and Eddie Macey boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Bud Soules defeated Eddie Mahoney, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
"Sailor" Ritter defeated Ray Newman, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Johnny Manvin defeated "Indian Jack," Price, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Bobby Burns knocked out Joe Patterson, second round, at Oakland, Calif., Feb. 7th.
Knockout Andrews knocked out J. Simpson, third round, at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Sammy O'Day and Kid Mexico boxed four rounds to a draw at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Kid Mack and Johnny Simpson boxed four rounds to a draw at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
J. McManus defeated Johnny O'Leary, four rounds, at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Eddie Morris defeated Phil Garcia, four rounds, at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Trench King defeated Pete Woods, four rounds, at Marysville, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Danny Nunes defeated Young Brown, four rounds, at Vernon, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Tillie (Kid) Herman defeated Sailor Larry, four rounds, at Vernon, Calif., Feb. 6th.
Eddie Shannon and Joe Gorman boxed ten rounds to a draw at Portland, Ore., Feb. 7th.
Johnny Fugate and Joe Black boxed six rounds to a draw at Portland, Ore., Feb. 7th.
Jack Griffin knocked out Jack Hartford, second round, at Portland, Ore., Feb. 7th.

Sailor Woods and "Broken" Blossoms boxed four rounds to a draw at Portland, Ore., Feb. 7th.

George Gilmore defeated "Young" Speare, four rounds, at Chico, Calif., Feb. 6th.

Young Dudley defeated Chick Roach, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Sailor Goldman defeated Mike O'Leary, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Sammy Good defeated Sailor Kramer, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Sunny Jim defeated Johnny Burns, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Billy Gordeau and Dick Wallace boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Terry McBride defeated Tim Callaghan, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Sailor Roberts defeated Bobby Gray, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Jack Silva knocked out Art Emery, at San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Bud Ridley and Danny Nunes boxed four rounds to a draw at Sacramento, Calif., Feb. 9th.

Vic Foley knocked out Frankie Pantley, third round, at Everett, Wash., Feb. 9th.

Micky Hannon won on a foul from Jack

King in the sixth round, at Wenatchee, Wash., Feb. 9th.

Vic Foley knocked out Frankie Green, third round, at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 7th.

Sailor Eddie Buell and Eddie Neil boxed to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 7th.

MEXICO

Nero Chink knocked out Walter Gray, fourth round, at Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 5th.

D. Miranda knocked out Jose Loredo, second round, at Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 5th.

C. Garcia defeated A. Lopez, four rounds, at Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 5th.

R. Herrera and A. Martinez boxed four rounds to a draw at Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 5th.

Hip. Rameriz knocked out W. Lopez, eighth round, at Mexico City, Mexico, Feb. 5th.

EUROPE

Vanderveer, Belgian heavyweight, knocked out Niles of France, seventh round, at Paris, France, Feb. 3rd.

CANADA

Earl Miller knocked out Jack Griffin, second round, at Nelson, B. C., Feb. 8th.

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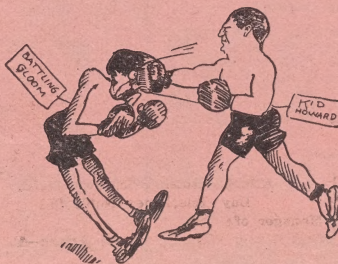
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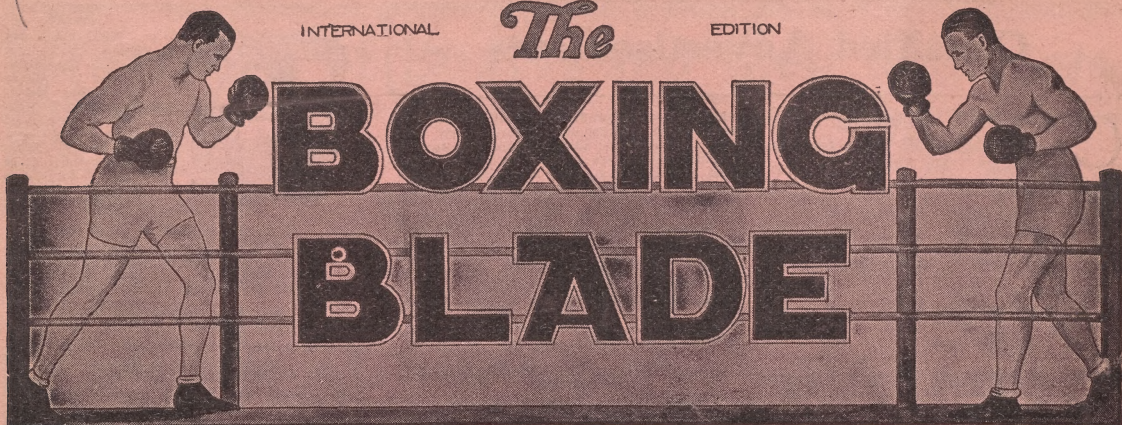
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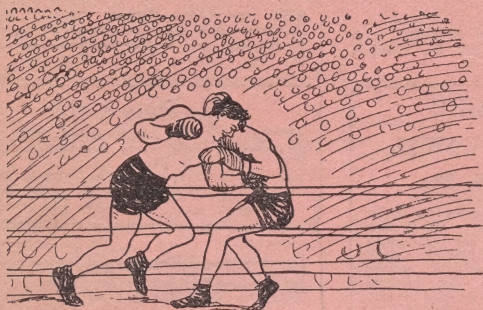
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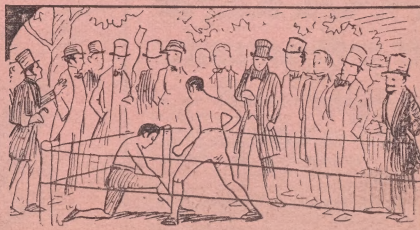
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